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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

As set forth in the Office Action mailed August 9, 2005, the Examiner asserts that claims 1-9 (Group I) and claims 10-23 (Group II) are drawn to patentably distinct subject matter. The Examiner therefore requires Applicants to select for examination the claims of Group I or the claims of Group II. In response, Applicants elect, without traverse, to prosecute for examination purposes, the invention identified in Group I, claims 1-9.

The Examiner also asserts that, if Applicants elects Group I, then a further restriction is required since claims 2-4 and 9 (species a), claims 5-6 (speicies b), and claims 7-8 (species c) each disclose a patentably distinct species of the claimed invention. The Examiner therefore requires Applicants to select for examination a single species to which the claims within elected Group I shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally

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held allowable. In response, Applicants elect, without traverse, to prosecute for examination purposes, the species identified as species b, claims 5-6.

## **CONCLUSION**

Should the Examiner have any questions concerning this paper or application, or if any undeveloped issues remain, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney by telephone to resolve such questions or issues. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this paper. The commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees due in connection with this paper or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 19-2179.

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